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ANNOUNCEMENT



Re:

Digital Phonorecord Rate Adjustment Proceeding,

Docket No. 96-4 CARP DPRA

On October 14, 1998, the Copyright Office received a memorandum from the National Music Publishers' Association, Inc., the Songwriters Guild of America, Inc., and the Recording Industry Association of America, Inc., requesting that the Office adopt the unopposed rates for general digital phonorecord deliveries ("DPDs") and either adopt the rates for the incidental DPDs set out in an earlier proposal or sever and defer, until the next rate adjustment proceeding, further consideration of rates for incidental DPDs.

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In response, the Copyright Office issued an order setting a schedule for interested parties to file comments and replies. Order Docket No. 96-4 CARP DPRA (October 16, 1998). Based on the parties' comments and general agreement on the major points, the Office would like to meet with all interested parties to discuss how to proceed in setting the rates for general digital phonorecords and incidental phonorecord deliveries.

Therefore, the Office is scheduling a meeting for Friday, November 13, 1998 at 1:30 p.m. This meeting will take place at the Library of Congress, Madison Building, Room LM-403, 101 Independence Avenue, S.E., Washington, D.C.

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